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Testimony for SB-398
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This testimony is in regard to Senate Bill 398. There has been a discrepancy for many years in the code as to the definition of wages. There were two distinctly different applications as to how wages were to be interpreted for employers when paying taxes and workers compensation / unemployment insurance. Through discussions with all the stakeholders, this discrepancy was discovered and this bill corrects that discrepancy. The Montana AFL-CIO Supports this bill because it addresses a problem that has needed to be clarified for a long time. We urge your support of this bill as our membership has come forward in support of SB-398.

Thank You,
Robert Johnson